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NOTICE OF APPEAL

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the final Office Action, dated September 10, 2003, rejecting claims 1-5, 7-21, 24 and 26-42. A check in the amount of \$330.00 is enclosed to cover the appeal fee required by 35 U.S.C. §41(a)(6) and 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).

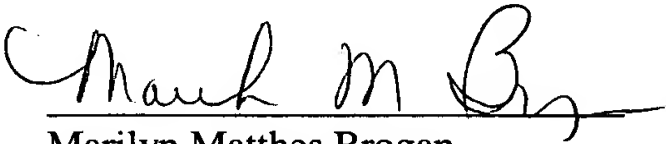
As a request for a three-month extension of time was filed with the February 12, 2004 Second Amendment After Final Action, it is believed that no additional extension fees are required. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additionally required fees for

an extension, or any other fees occasioned by this paper, or credit any overpayment in such fees,
to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

This Notice is being filed in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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